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Media Advisory & Photo Opportunity

"Best Workplaces for Commuters" Award to be Announced Wednesday, June 23rd

EPA and Vice Mayor will announce the companies awarded the National Standard of Excellence

What: Environmental Protection Agency's Best Workplaces for Commuters program manager,

Robin Snyder will be joined by Vice Mayor Peggy Bilsten, Win Holden, and other Valley business leaders for a press conference to announce the companies honored by BWC

and awarded the National Standard of Excellence.

When: Wednesday, June 23, 2004; 10-11 a.m.

Where: The event will be held at Bank One Ballpark, located at 401 E. Jefferson. Parking

will be available south of the ballpark. Security will be available to direct

attendees.

Why: EPA has designated 60 Valley companies as "Best Workplaces for Commuters." These

companies have been selected because they offer their employees major commuting benefits that reduce the number of overall trips, decrease traffic and improve air

quality.

Who: Vice Mayor Peggy Bilsten; Chairman of the Board of Greater Phoenix Chamber

of Commerce, Win Holden; and other Valley leaders.

About Valley Metro/RPTA: *Valley Metro/RPTA* (*The Regional Public Transportation Authority*) is a political subdivision of the State of Arizona overseen by a board of elected officials. Membership is open to all municipalities in Maricopa County and to the county government. As members of the RPTA, each municipality must spend Local Transportation Assistance Funds (LTAF) - revenues from the Arizona Lottery - on public transportation. A municipality with a population of 300,000 or more must spend all of its funds on transit services. Municipalities of 60,000 or more must commit at least one-third of their LTAF funds to transit services and those areas with a population of less than 60,000 must commit three quarters of their LTAF funds to transit services.

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